- Now, it wasn't a 22 and I figured it wasn't a 38, so that I thought it was a 32 coming between that.
- Q You say you identified the bodies. Did you know these people in their life times?
- A I had seen Dr. Hall a couple of times.
- Q So you knew it was his body?
- A I wouldn't have sworn to it because a man inhis condition didn't look very much like the living Dr. Hall.

MR. SIMPSON: That is all.

Dr. E. I. CRONK, a witness produced onbehalf of the state, being duly sworn according to law, testied as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. SIMPSON:

- Q Dr., you are a practicing physician and surgeon?
- A Physician.
- Q Where do you practice? A New Brunswick.
- Q How long have you been in practice?
- A Twenty six years.
- Q How long have you been in practice in New Brunswick?
- A 26 years.
- Q Did you perform an autopsy on the body of Mrs. Mills, I think her name is Eleanor Mills, who died on the 14th of Sept., 1922?
- A No, I performed no autopsy on the body of Mrs. Mills

- Q Anytime? A Well, I performed no autopsy on the body of Mrs. Mills. I was called in to identify the bodyl
- Q Where, was the body?
- A In Mr. Hubbard's morgue.
- Q What was the condition of the body?
- A In very poor conditionat that time.
- Q Was there any bullet wounds in the body?
- A Four bullet wounds in the body.
- Q Describe them?
- A The location? Q Yes? A There was one bullet wound in the middle of the forehead about and inch below the hair line, went through the right malar or cheek bone, one in the right temporal region and one wound that appeared to be a bullet wound in the center of the lip about half an inch above the colored part. I am not certain that was a bullet wound because it was non penetrating, but it was a puncture wound and appeared to be made by a bullet.
- Q Did you probe these wounds at all?
- A Yes.

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- Q Where were you when they brought them in the morgue
- A In the morgue.
- Q Will you describe what you ascertained by probing them?
- A I found that two of these bullet wounds penetrated the skull and there was no points of exit.

 Two of them had passed through the skull. The probe passed in readily at point of entrance and out at the point of exit.
- Q Where were the points of entrance?
- A The point of entrance of the bullet wound in the forehead was in the forehead.
- Q Where was the point of exit?
- A There was no exit to that.
- Q It stayed in the skull? A Yes sir.
- Q What were the other points of entrance?
- A There was one over the right cheek bone.
- Q Did that go through? A Couldn't determine whether that went through.
- Q Where was the other wound?
- A In the right temporal region.
- Q What did you find there?
- A I went through and the bullet between the outer layer of the skull and the scalp.
- Q Did you take the bullet out? A No sir.

- Q You never had the bullets then? A No sir.
- Q Where was the point of entrance in the fourht wound?
- A In the center of the lip about half an inch above the colored portion of the lip.
- Q You never cut down into her head at all, you never made an autopsy?
- A Nosir.
- Q Not at any time? A At no time.
- Q Did you see that body again? A Yes sir.
- Q When was the second time you saw it?
- A When the official Middlesex County Autopsy was held.
- Q When was that?
- A I think the date was September 29th.
- Q Who performed that autopsy?
- A Dr. A. L. Smith, representing Middlesex County and Dr. Hagaman representing Somerset County.
- Q You were present? A Yes sir.
- Q Will you tell us what you saw done?
- A At that time a complete autopsy was made by Drs. Smith and Hagaman, and while I couldn't observe the work closely I took the notes on dicatation at that time.

 The skull cap was removed and the bullets were recovered.
- Q What kind of bullets were recovered?

- A No sir, I couldn't say.
- Q Who took the bullets?
- A They were handed over to a representative of the Prosecutor's office.
- Q Do you know who he was? A Nosir, I don't know whether it was a representative of Middlesex or Somerset, they were both present.
- Q Both Mr. Tottena dn Mr. David were there?
- A Yes sir, Both Mr. David and Mr. Totten.
- Q You say you didn't get the bullets. Could you, from the autopsy that you saw done describe the source of these wounds?
- A No sir, only form the dictation as it came to me from the doctors.
- Q Who were the doctors dictated to you?
- A Drs. Smith and Hagaman.
- Q Is that all you had to do with the body of Mrs. Mills on these two ocassions? Are those the only ocassions you observed the bodies?
- A That is the only two times.
- Q Then did you observe Dr. Hall's body? A Yes.
- Q When? A The first time in the morgue when the body had been returned from Somerville.
- Q What was the condition of Dr. Hall's body?
- A It was vastly discolored and there was but one wound.

- Q Where was the wound? A In the head.
- Q Where was the point of entrance?
- A The point of entrance was in the right temporal region and the point of exit was behind the ear on left side, between the temporal bone and the occipital bone.
- Q Were either of these wounds that you observed on either body sufficient to cause death?
- A Yes sir.
- Q Did you afterwards attend any autopsy on the body of Dr. Hall, in Brooklyn? A I did.
- Q What date was that? A The date I don't recall.
- Q How soon after the murder?
- A I think it was about one week.
- Q Can you tell us what was done in your presence there with Dr. Hall's body?
- A At that time an autopsy was performed by the same two dortors and the location of the bullet wound was determined -
- Q What did they find as a fact, that the wound went as have describe the bullet from the region you have described to the point of exit?
- A Yes sir, they found the probe passed readily from one point to the other.

- Q Did they recover the bullet? A No sir.
- Q There wasn't any bullet? A No, it had gone through
 The skull cap was removed and there was no bullet
 present.
- Q Where was this autopsy performed?
- A King's County Hospital, Brooklyn.
- Q Where is that hospital bocated?
- A The exact location I couldn't give you.
- Q That isn't important. Was Dr. Long present at the second autopsy?
- A He was present at both?
- Q I mean the autopsy on Mrs. Mills, whenking was he there?
- A He was.
- Q And he was there in Brooklyn? A Yes sir.
- Q That is, every time you were present at an autopsy and examination Dr. Long was there?
- A He was.
- Q You had no official connection with the case, did you?
- A None whatever.

MR. SIMPSON: That is all.

MR. PFEIFFER: No questions.

FERD A. DAVID, a witness produced in behalf of the state, being duly sworn according to law upon his oath testified as follows: